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Japanese Patent No. 04103014, issued April 6, 1992 (English Abstract Attached); and W.P. Pratt, Jr. et al., "Perpendicular Giant Magnetoresistance of Ag/Co Multilayers", Physical Review Letters, Vol. 66, No. 23, pp. 3060-3063, June 10, 1991.

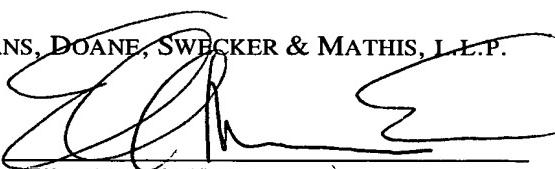
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To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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